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TAGS: OCON, EAGR  
SUBJ: INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON GRAINS

1. FODAG RECEIVED FOLLOWING REQUEST FROM FAO INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
GROUP ON GRAINS: BEGIN TEXT

NATIONAL GRAIN POLICIES (FOR REPLY BY 30 JUNE 1978)  
AT THE REQUEST OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON GRAINS,  
THE SECRETARIAT REGULARLY COMPILES AND ANALYZES INFORMATION  
ON NATIONAL GRAIN POLICIES ON THE BASIS OF STATEMENTS PROVIDED  
BY NATIONAL AUTHORITIES.

GOVERNMENTS ARE, THEREFORE, INVITED TO SUBMIT (IN DUPLICATE)  
A STATEMENT COVERING THOSE CHANGES IN THEIR NATIONAL GRAIN  
POLICIES WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE SINCE THEIR LAST REPORT TO THE  
SECRETARIAT OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP, IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH THE ATTACHED OUTLINE.

WITH REGARD TO PART IV OF OUTLINE, GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE  
REPLIED TO THE FAO QUESTIONNAIRE ON NATIONAL FOOD POLICIES AND  
PRACTICES DATED 19 OCTOBER 1977, NEED ONLY REPORT THE CHANGES  
IN MEASURES INTRODUCED SINCE THEIR QUESTIONNAIRE WAS PREPARED.  
THOSE GOVERNMENTS WHICH HAVE NOT REPLIED TO THE 1975 OR 1977  
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QUESTIONNAIRES, ARE KINDLY REQUESTED TO SEND A FULL POLICY STA-  
TEMENT IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THE WIDEST COUNTRY COVERAGE.

REPLIES SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY AND DESPATCHED  
NOT LATER THAN 30 JUNE 1978.

/S/ R. BRANCO, SECRETARY, IGG, ROME

OUTLINE

I. MEASURES AFFECTING GRAIN PRODUCTION AND MARKETING

A. POLICY OBJECTIVES AND PRODUCTION TARGETS

(A) POLICY OBJECTIVES FOR GRAINS

(B) GRAIN PRODUCTION TARGETS (INCLUDING A BRIEF SUMMARY OF NATIONAL GRAIN PLANS, INVESTMENT INTENTIONS, ADAPTATION OF NEW VARIETIES, EXPANSION OR CHANGE IN LAND UTILIZATION, ETC.)

B. FARM PRICE POLICY

(A) TYPE AND LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT PRICE GUARANTEES TO PRODUCERS

(B) METHODS OF IMPLEMENTING FARM PRICE SCHEMES

(C) PROCUREMENT: PRICES, METHODS AND QUANTITIES PROCURED BY GOVERNMENT OR AGENCY.

C. AID TO GRAIN PRODUCTION (NON-PRICE MEASURES, SUCH AS SPECIAL FARM CREDIT, SUBSIDIES ON INPUTS, E.G. ON FERTILIZERS, FUEL, MACHINERY; EXTENSION SERVICES; PROMOTION OF HIGH-YIELDING VARIETIES; TAX EXEMPTIONS OR REBATES; CROP INSURANCE; DIRECT GRANTS, ETC.)

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D. SUPPLY MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES (E.G. MARKETING QUOTAS, ALLOCATIONS; CROP DIVERSIFICATION PROGRAMS; ETC.)

E. MARKETING ORGANIZATIONS (NAME, TYPE AND FUNCTION)

II. MEASURES AFFECTING FOOD CONSUMPTION OR CONSUMER PRICES (E.G. RATIONING, CONSUMER TAXES, DISTRIBUTION AT FIXED PRICES, MARKETING MARGINS, SUBSIDIES AND WELFARE PROGRAMS INCLUDING SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAMS)

B. MEASURES AFFECTING USE AS ANIMAL FEED (E.G. DENATURING PREMIUMS, FEED TRANSPORTATION SUBSIDIES, COMPOUND FEED INDUSTRY REGULATIONS, SPECIAL INCENTIVES FOR GRAIN PRODUCTION FOR FEED, AND ANY OTHER FEED POLICY MEASURES RELATED TO FEED/LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS).

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C. MEASURES AFFECTING USE IN INDUSTRY (E.G. STARCH MANUFACTURING,  
BREWING, AND DISTILLING).

D. MEASURES AFFECTING GRAIN MILLING INDUSTRIES (LICENSES,  
QUOTAS, SPECIAL INCENTIVES, ETC.)

III. MEASURES AFFECTING FOREIGN TRADE IN GRAINS AND FLOUR

A. GENERAL COMMERCIAL POLICY (INCL. GENERAL OBJECTIVES,  
PRICING POLICY, TRADE TARGETS, PARTICIPATION IN REGIONAL INTE-  
GRATION SCHEMES, ETC.)

B. EXPORT POLICIES

(A) STATE CONTROLS AND REGULATIONS (INCL. EXPORT QUOTAS,  
LICENSES, TAXES, EXPORT PRICE CONTROLS, EXPORT LEVIES, ETC.)

(B) EXPORT AIDS (SUBSIDIES; RESTITUTIONS, TAX INCENTIVES  
OR REBATES; SPECIAL CREDIT ON COMMERCIAL SALES; CONCESSIONAL  
SALES AND FOOD AID; SPECIAL EXCHANGE RATES; TRANSPORT SUBSIDIES,  
ETC.)

(C) BARTER OR RECIPROCAL TRADE AGREEMENTS.

C. IMPORT POLICIES

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(A) STATE CONTROLS AND REGULATIONS (INCL. IMPORT QUOTAS,  
LICENSES, TAXES, MINIMUM PRICES, IMPORT LEVIES, ETC.)

(B) IMPORT DUTIES (CURRENT RATES, EACH CEREAL; STATE WHETHER  
SPECIFIC OR AD VALOREM)

(C) IMPORT AIDS.

#### IV. MEASURES AFFECTING CEREAL STOCKS

A. POLICY OBJECTIVES (E.G. TO MAINTAIN A REGULAR FLOW OF SUPPLY INTO DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION AND/OR EXPORT MARKETS; TO SUPPORT PRICE STABILIZATION PROGRAMS; TO MEET PRODUCTION SHORTFALLS; TO COVER EMERGENCIES; TO COVER INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS INCLUDING FOOD AID; ETC.)

#### B. INSTITUTIONAL STRUCTURE AND CONTROL

(A) AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR STOCK POLICIES

(B) OWNERSHIP OF STOCKS (E.G. GOVERNMENT, PARASTATAL ORGANIZATION, PRIVATE SECTOR AND THEIR RELATIVE IMPORTANCE)

(C) MANAGEMENT OF STOCKS, INCLUDING PURCHASE, RELEASE AND HOLDING OF STOCKS.

(D) STOCK TARGET

C. STORAGE POLICIES (E.G. CURRENT STORAGE CAPACITY; PROGRAMS FOR INCREASING AND IMPROVING STORAGE CAPACITY, INCLUDING INCENTIVES, PREFERENCE FOR STORAGE LOCATION AT PORTS, MILLS, NEAR PRODUCTION AREAS, LARGE CONSUMER CENTERS; MEASURES TO PROMOTE STOCKHOLDING BY PRIVATE MERCHANTS, MILLERS AND/OR UNCLASSIFIED

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PRODUCERS; OPERATION OF NATIONAL STOCK REPORTING SYSTEM, ETC.)  
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2. COMMENT: RECOMMEND REPORT BE REVIEWED BY INTERAGENCY GROUP ON FAO BEFORE IT IS FINALIZED.GARDNER

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